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1. U.S. COVERAGE:

--V, MATVEYEV, IZVESTIYA'S POLICTICAL OBSERVER, SPEC-ULATES ABOUT THE REASONS FOR THE "DISAVOWAL" BY THE DEPARTMENT OF THE TYSON STATEMENT IN UNCHR, AND EXPRESSES REGRET OVER THE ROLE OF THE U.S. IN THE OVERTHROW OF THE ALLENDE GOVERNMENT IN CHILE (LATTER ALSO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PRAVDA). MATVEYEV CONCLUDES THAT DISAVOWAL CAN ONLY MEAN THE CONTINUED PRESENCE IN WASHINGTON OF THOSE WHO REGARD U.S. INTERVENTIONS ABROAD AS PROPER.
--A TASS CORRESPONDENT DESCRIBES IN PRAVDA HIS INTERVIEW WITH BENJAMIN CHAVEZ, A MEMBER OF THE "WILMINGTON TEN" IN NORTH CAROLINA. CHAVEZ DESCRIBES FORCIBLE TREATMENT OF HEALTHY PRISONERS

WITH PSYCHIATRIC DRUGS AND OTHER FORMS OF TORTURE. HE ALSO CALLS ON INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC OPINION TO SUPPORT AMERICAN POLITICAL PRISONERS, RECALLING THAT HIS WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN SECURING THE RELEASE OF ANGELA DAVIS AND CORVALAN. CHAVEZ' LETTER TO PRESIDENT CARTER REPRTEDLY REMAINS UNANSWERED. --IZVESTIYA NOTES CONCLUSION OF RABIN TALKS WITH PRESIDENT CARTER. RABIN REPORTEDLY DECLARED THAT ISRAEL WILL NOT MAKE CONCESSIONS TO ARAB COUNTRIES AND REJECTED ANY PARTICIPATION BY PLO IN NEW GENEVA CONFERENCE.

--PRAVDA ALSO DESCRIBES THE ENTHUSIASTIC RESPONSE IN THE US TO LECTURES DELIVERED RECENTLY BY P USA OFFICIALS AS WELL AS TO THE NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC TV PROGRAM ON THE VOLGA RIVER.

2. HUMAN RIGHTS:

--FOR THIRD DAY IN ROW HUMAN RIGHTS COVERAGE
IS LESS THANUSUAL. KZ HAS ITS FIRST ARTICLE ON SUBJECT
BY ONEOF ITS OWN WRITERS. IT PLAYS ON THEME OF
SOCIAL DEMOCRACY IN EAST EUROPE, WHITH ONLY A SMALL GROUP
OF DISSIDENTS WHO EXIST ON SUPPORT FROM WESTERN
OPPONENTS OF DETENTE. PRAVDA COVERS UNHRC
DISCUSSION OF CHILE.

3. ASIA:

--PRAVDA CARRIES TASS PEKING ITEM ON THE RECENT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NAMING OF NEW LEADERSHIP IN SEVEN PROVINCES IN THE THE "CENTRAL ORGANS OF PROPAGANDS." THE ITEM NOTES THAT THESE CHANGES ARE A RESULT OF THE PURGE OF THE "GROUP OF FOUR" AND ITS FOLLOWERS, BUT DOES NOT OTHERWISE COMMENT.

4. MIDDLE EAST:

--A. VASIL'YEV REPORTS IN PRAVDA ON AFRO-ASIAN SUMMIT MEETING IN CAIRO. UNDER PRESSURE OF AFRICAN COUNTRIES, OIL KINGDOMS OF PERSIAN GULF ALLEGEDLY INCREASED THEIR FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO AFRICA BY HALF BILLION DOLLARS.

5.THIRD WORLD GENERAL:

--PRAVDA CARRIES LONG PIECE BY PROFESSOR
R. UL'YANOVSKIY ON SIGNIFICANCE OF HISTORIC
SOVIET SUPPORT FOR NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS.
AUTHOR CONCLUDES THAT AMONG GREAT VICTORIES
ACHIEVED IN CONDITIONSOF DETENTE HAVE BEEN

LIQUIDATION OF "PUPPET REGIME" IN SOUTH VIETNAM AND ACHIEVEMENT OF INDEPENDENCE BY FORMER PORTUGUESE COLONIES.

6. AFRICA:

--MARCH 7 IZVESTIYA SHOWS PHOTO OF "DETACH-MENTS OF PEOPLES' MILITIA" IN ETHIOPIA. WEAPONS IN FOREGROUND OF PICTURE MAY BE CZECH 7.62 MM LIGHT MACHINE GUN M-52.

7. EUROPE:

11PRAVDA'S COMMENTATOR'S COLUMN TAKES A SHOT AT THE "DEAL FO THE CENTURY" (F-16 SALES TO NATO), CLAIMING DANES NOW HAVE SECOND THOUGHTS ABOUT PURCHASES IN LIGHT OF COSTS. TOON

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